

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN BETTY LOU KASTEN**, on February 17, 1999 at 8:02 A.M., in Room 108/312 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Betty Lou Kasten, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Chuck Swysgood, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)  
Rep. John Cobb (R)  
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)  
Sen. Mignon Waterman (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Delila Croucher, Committee Secretary  
Lois Steinbeck, Legislative Branch  
Lorene Thorson, Legislative Branch  
Connie Welsh, OBPP  
Bob Andersen, OBPP

**Please Note:** These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s): none

Executive Action: Child Support Enforcement;  
Addictive and Mental  
Disorders; Health Policy  
Service Division

Dave Lewis, OBPP, addressed the Committee regarding a \$400,000 shortfall in the Executive Budget for mainframe computer usage.  
**{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.1 - 10.4}**

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

PRESENT LAW ADJUSTMENT:

Motion/Vote: REP. COBB moved TO RECONSIDER COMMITTEE ACTION ON DP2, FUNDING FOR 13 MODIFIED POSITIONS. Motion failed 2-4 with Cobb and Waterman voting aye.

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Motion/Vote: REP. COBB moved that 3 ADDITIONAL FTE BE ADOPTED. Motion failed 3-3 with Barnhart, Cobb, and Waterman voting aye.

*{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 15.6 - 16.5}*

Motion/Vote: REP. COBB moved DP6, LEASE OF MTPRRIME EQUIPMENT BE ADOPTED WITH HALF OF THE FISCAL TOTAL FUNDS IN 2000 AND 2001.

Motion failed with Barnhart, Cobb, and Waterman voting aye.

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Sen. Waterman discussed a shortfall in respite care and clothing allowances for foster care families with the Department.

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Motion/Vote: SEN. SWYSGOOD moved that THE LANGUAGE TO ADJUST ALL AGENCY STATEWIDE ADJUSTMENTS TO REFLECT THE NEW INDIRECT SERVICE RATES AS APPROVED BY GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously.

**EXHIBIT**(jhh39a01)

*{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.5 - 7.3}*

Motion/Vote: SEN. SWYSGOOD moved TO RECONSIDER COMMITTEE ACTIONS ON DRG HOSPITAL REBASE. Motion carried unanimously.

*{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12.5 - 12.9}*

Motion/Vote: SEN. SWYSGOOD moved that THE DRG REBASE AS PRESENTED IN THE BUDGET BE ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously.

*{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12.9 - 13.9}*

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HEALTH POLICY SERVICES DIVISION

Motion: REP. COBB moved that the 1% MEDICAID PROVIDER RATE INCREASE WITH ADJUSTMENTS BE ADOPTED.

Substitute Motion/Vote: SEN. WATERMAN made a substitute motion 1.5% PROVIDER RATE INCREASE BE ADOPTED. Substitute motion failed 2-4 with Barnhart and Waterman voting aye.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously. EXHIBIT(jhh39a02)  
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 13.9 - 24.3}

Motion/Vote: SEN. SWYSGOOD moved that THE LANGUAGE implementing PROVIDER RATE INCREASE AS A LINE ITEM BE ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 24.3 - 26.3}

Motion: REP. COBB moved DIRECT CARE WORKER WAGE INCREASE BE ADOPTED WITH \$22.3 MILLION TOTAL FUNDS AND \$9.3 MILLION GENERAL FUND. MOTION WITHDRAWN.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.8 - 10.7}

Motion/Vote: REP. COBB moved DIRECT CARE WORKER WAGE INCREASE WITH \$22.3 MILLION TOTAL FUNDS AND \$9.3 MILLION GENERAL FUND BE ADOPTED WITH LANGUAGE IN OPTION #2. Motion carried 4-2 with Kasten and Swysgood voting no. EXHIBIT(jhh39a03)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10.7 - 20.7}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON ADDICTIVE AND MENTAL DISORDERS DIVISION

Motion/Vote: SEN. WATERMAN moved that LANGUAGE ON MENTAL HEALTH MANAGED CARE BE ADOPTED. Motion failed 3-3 with Barnhart, Cobb, and Waterman voting aye. EXHIBIT(jhh39a04) EXHIBIT(jhh39a05)

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Motion/Vote: REP. COBB moved LANGUAGE ON MANAGED CARE BE ADOPTED. Motion failed 3-3 with Barnhart, Cobb, and Waterman voting aye. EXHIBIT(jhh39a06)

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The Committee discussed the possibility of an oversight plan of managed care outside of the department. EXHIBIT(jhh39a07)

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*{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11 - 28.9}*

Motion/Vote: SEN. SWYSGOOD moved that DP1, ANNUALIZE FY99 MHAP FIXED CONTRACT; DP6, HSH MHAP POPULATION ADJUSTMENT; DP7, MSH NON-MHAP POPULATION ADJUSTMENT; DP8, MMHNCC MHAP POPULATION ADJUSTMENT; DP9, MMHNCC NON-MHAP POPULATION ADJUSTMENT; DP10, OVERTIME DIFFERENTIAL HOLIDAY PAY - MHAP; DP11, OVERTIME DIFFERENTIAL HOLIDAY PAY - NON-MHAP; DP18, MHAP PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT BE ADOPTED. Motion failed 3-3 with Kasten, Keenan, and Swysgood voting aye.

*{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 8.3 - 13.6}*

Motion/Vote: REP. COBB moved to RESTORE 200% POVERTY LEVEL OF NON-MEDICAID POPULATION WITH A MENU OF SERVICES THAT INCLUDES PHARMACY AND A SLIDING FEE SCALE TO COVER THE 200% POVERTY LEVEL POPULATION. Motion failed 3-3 with Kasten, Keenan, and Swysgood voting no.

*{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 13.6 - 18.8}*

Motion/Vote: REP. COBB moved that \$600,000 GENERAL FUND EACH YEAR OF THE BIENNIUM BE APPROPRIATED TO WARM SPRINGS STATE HOSPITAL BE ADOPTED. Motion failed 2-4 with Barnhart and Cobb voting aye. **EXHIBIT**(jhh39a08)

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:59 A.M.

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REP. BETTY LOU KASTEN, Chairman

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DELILA CROUCHER, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT** (jhh39aad)